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FOR: PREPARATION OF A CRYSTALLINE

ZEOLITIC SOLID

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows.

- 3. (Amended) A process as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the crystallization is carried out in the presence of at least one template compound.
  - 5. (Amended) A process as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that template compounds which are included in the dried crystalline solid are separated from the solid by means of at least one wash process.
  - 6. (Amended) A crystalline solid preparable by a process as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the zeolitic material is a Ti, Ge, Te, Ta, V, Cr, Nb or Zr zeolite of the

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